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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office & the Secretory
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Docket No. 07-16

Dear Secretary Dortch:

Many cities hove made delivering Internet service to all their residents and local independent businesses **a** priority, and Detroii is no exception. Notwithstanding our **efforts**,we believe that a national solution is also imperative. **A** national broadband solution that is fast, free and family-friendly would:

- Make public spaces hospitable and useful to the mobile computing needs of citizens;
- Help cities and counties compete for jobs, residenis and business investment;
- Allow children access to the learning opportunities offered by the Internet without exposure to inappropriate content.

As General Counsel to the City of Detroit (representing only myself and not the City, or any other of its representatives), a community activist, and resident of Detroit, I urge your endorsement of this plan. The resurgence of our great city depends upon important ideas such as these.

Sincerely,

Sharon McPhail General Counsel

City of Detroit

CC: FCC Chairman, Kevin Martin

FCC Commissioners: Copps, Adelstein, Tate, McDowell

Fred Campbell, Chief, Wireless Bureau

Senator Stabenow Senator Levin